

horse, together with Mr. Frazier's boy, were drowned, and Mr. Frazier (the owner of the ferry) very narrowly escaped, being taken out of the water by Mr. Clancy.

HALIFAX, (N. Carolina) March 13.

By a gentleman from the westward, we are informed, that general Rutherford, with a considerable company of volunteers, who had made an excursion towards the Mississippi, with a view to make some discoveries on the western waters, were surprised by the Indians, and totally defeated. The general himself it is said, has lost his life among these unfortunate men, whose only view was to acquire a vast territory without bloodshed.

March 18. On the day of our election was held out to the multitude as a show, a human being! A male child of the most prodigious weight, and gigantic size, the imagination can possibly figure. It was only three years and a few days old, and weighed one hundred and sixteen pounds.

ANNAPOLIS, April 22.

The brig Freedom, arrived at Philadelphia the 11th ult. sailed from London the 24th of January, at which time there was much ice in the Thames, and, from the extreme hard weather which immediately followed, it was thought no vessels could leave the river for some weeks, the frost having, by all accounts, proved uncommonly severe in most parts of Europe.

The Olive Branch, Davies, from Virginia, arrived in the Thames the middle of January.—On the 2d of that month, lat. 49 1/2 long. 19. spoke the Nancy, Douglas, from Glasgow to Virginia, all well, seven days out.

Sir Guy Carleton arrived in London from New-York, the 15th of January.

Extracts from the instructions of the freeholders and freemen of Northampton county, North-Carolina, to their representatives in the general assembly of that state, on the 11th of March, 1784.

"A character of honesty and probity being as essential to the prosperity of a nation as to an individual, we hope that the faith of the state will for ever remain inviolate; and earnestly recommend a strict compliance with the articles of peace betwixt the United States of America, and the king of Great-Britain.

"We make no doubt but the trade and population of this state will have due attention paid to them by the general assembly, and hope that the most liberal laws may be passed to encourage merchants, traders and emigrants of all nations, to take up their residence among us, not excluding even those called refugees, from this and the neighbouring states; excepting only such as, by the enormity of their crimes, have become the enemies of all societies. We are very sensible that many are under apprehension of mischief from the admission of the refugees, and it must certainly originate either from timidity, or a base selfishness; but we can see no foundation for any such alarm, as we never dreaded them when in a body, and supported by the arms of Great-Britain, we think it weak and absurd to do so, when they shall be scattered and settled among us. In this case, to fear them would be to argue a want of confidence in ourselves, and a supposition, that by their insinuations, our fellow-citizens could be prevailed on to embroil this state, and overturn that liberty, for which we have expended so much treasure, and shed so much blood. The thought of it is too degrading to find admission in our breasts. On the contrary, as numbers of them are men of probity, honour and fortune, we have no doubt but their admission would greatly tend to increase the commerce and strength of the state. On this occasion, we are actuated as much by humanity as policy, for we cannot without pain reflect on the distress and misery of so many of our fellow-citizens, against most of whom no other crime can be deduced, but a difference of sentiments on a great political question.

"As to the monies which have been paid into our treasury by individuals indebted to British merchants, and which are demanded by the articles of peace, justice certainly requires the state to pay no more than the value of the sums when received, settled by the scale of depreciation, and that the balance should be made good by the respective debtors.

"We recommend a strict and ready compliance with all such requisitions of Congress, as that honourable body, consistent with the powers vested in them by the federal union, shall make. For by refusals or delays, we not only place Congress in a humiliating and unfavourable point of view in the eyes of foreigners, but weaken ourselves as a nation, and become contemptible, in the same degree that we wantonly and absurdly distress the head of our political existence."

By the UNITED STATES in CONGRESS assembled, April 15, 1784.

Congress resumed the consideration of the report on the letter of 24th March from major-general baron Steuben, and thereupon

RESOLVED, That the resignation of baron Steuben, late inspector-general and major-general, be accepted.

That the thanks of the United States in Congress assembled be given to baron Steuben, for the great zeal and abilities he has discovered in the discharge of the several duties of his office; that a gold hilted sword be presented to him as a mark of the high sense Congress entertain of his character and services, and that the superintendent of finance take order for procuring the same.

On the report of a committee to whom was referred a letter of 19th March, from major-general baron Steuben, late inspector-general, informing that he had appointed major North inspector to the troops under the command of general Knox,

RESOLVED, That Congress approve of and confirm the appointment of major William North, as inspector to the troops remaining in the service and pay of the United States.

CHARLES THOMSON, secretary.

Extracts from the journal of Congress.

Feb. 27. Whereas the United States in Congress assembled are well informed, and entertain a just sense of the great bravery, intelligence, zeal and activity manifested

during the course of the late war with Great-Britain, by brigadier general Armand, marquis de Rouerie, in the service of the United States; And whereas it also appears by a letter from the late commander in chief, dated at Philadelphia, 15th December, 1783, addressed to the said general Armand, that superadded to general merit for good conduct, vigilance and bravery, general Armand has in a variety of instances, particularly signalized himself as an excellent officer and great partizan, and frequently rendered the United States very valuable services;

Resolved, That the president write a letter to general Armand, marquis de la Rouerie, expressive of the high sense Congress are impressed with, of the services he has rendered the United States in the course of the late war with Great Britain, and of the entire approbation the United States in Congress assembled entertain of his bravery, activity and zeal, so often evidenced in the cause of America.

March 1. A letter of 31st January, from J. Bartlett, president P. T. state of New-Hampshire, was read, and also an enclosed copy of an act passed by the said state, January 1st and 2d, 1784, entitled, "An act for granting to the United States in Congress assembled, certain imposts and duties upon foreign goods imported into this state, and for the purpose of paying the principal and interest of the debt contracted in the prosecution of the late war with Great-Britain."

To be SOLD, at the POST-OFFICE, A NUMBER of books both in French and English, amongst which are the following:

Roussseau's works complete, in 29 vols. elegantly bound and gilt.

The British Poets, in 42 vols. neatly printed on a fine paper, containing the works of Milton, Butler, Cowley, Waller, Dryden, Garth, Prior, Pope, Gay, Swift, Addison, Young, Parnell, Thomson, Akenside, Shensstone, and Gray.

Voltaire's works complete, in 52 vols.

Charles county, April 6, 1784.

On Thursday the 6th of May next, if fair, if not on the next fair day, will be sold to the highest bidder, THE subscriber's dwelling plantation, lying about six miles below Piscataway, and on the main road leading from that place to Port-Tobacco. It contains about 380 acres. The soil is of the first quality. There is about 60 acres of fine meadow ground, a few of which have been cleared. The improvements are, a tolerable dwelling house, all the necessary out-houses, an exceeding good apple orchard, &c. Possession will be given next Christmas, and credit from that time for three years upon paying one third annually.

SAMUEL HANSON, of Samuel.

Annapolis, April 19, 1784.

To be SOLD,

A TRACT of land, lying in Tulley's Neck, Queen-Anne's county, containing 1100 acres, divided and rented out at present in 3 tenements; it will be sold separately, in tenements, or all together; it is good farming land, wooded and watered, with a fine bottom of a mile and a half extent running through the land, capable of being improved into fine meadow, in a good neighbourhood, convenient to court and mills, and distant from the court-house six, and from Chester-town twelve miles. Any person inclined to purchase may be informed of the terms, which will be easy, by applying to Mr. William Ringgold, of Chester-town, or the subscriber.

JAMES RINGGOLD.

Annapolis, April 18, 1784.

LOST, by the subscriber, on Sunday evening, between this city and Mr. Taylor's, a SILVER WATCH, maker's name H. Mighills, London, No. 2394, with a pinchbeck chain, a seal and key. Whoever has found the same and will deliver it to Messieurs Claude and French, watch-makers in West-street, shall receive a reward of four dollars, and questions asked.

EZEKIEL ORME.

Annapolis, April 21, 1784.

ALL persons having claims against the estate of A captain Robert Dashiell, late of this city, deceased, are desired to bring in their accounts legally proved, for settlement, as I intend removing from this place in one month from this time.

SARAH DASHIELL.

April 20, 1784.

CARELESS,

STANDS this season at West River, and will cover at six dollars a mare, and one dollar to the groom, provided the money is paid when the mare is first covered, or at three pounds and one dollar on credit.

Careless was got by colonel Baylor's Fearnought, his dam by Dove, his grand dam by Othello, his great-grand dam by Old Spark, out of the high bred imported mare Queen Mab, the dam of Pacolet.

Good pasturage for mares at two shillings and sixpence per week, but will not be answerable for escapes or other accidents.

THOMAS GIBBS.

FIVE POUNDS REWARD.

April 21, 1784.

RAN away from the subscriber, living five miles from Annapolis, and one from South river ferry, in Anne Arundel county, on the 10th of July last, a slim negro fellow named WILL, twenty-two years of age, five feet six inches high, long legs, has a small scar on his right cheek, stutters very much. I have heard he has lost some of his upper fore teeth; he has been examined several times, and always changes his name and master; the last master I heard he owned was Thomas Gray, in Calvert county. Whoever takes up and secures the said fellow, so that the owner may get him again, shall receive the above reward, and reasonable charges if brought home, paid by

MORDECAI STEWART.

TAKEN up as a stray, by William Phelps, living on the north side of Severn, about three miles above the ferry, a chefnut sorrel coloured the MULE, she has no perceivable brand or mark. The owner may have her again on proving property and paying charges.

THE JOCKEY CLUB PURSE of SIXTY GUINEAS will be run for at Annapolis, on the third Tuesday in May next, heats, weights, &c. as usual.

N. B. The gentlemen who neglected paying their subscriptions last fall, are desired to send them in before the race, as a few guineas are wanted to make up the purse.

April 5, 1784.

To be SOLD,

THE subscriber's dwellings, with three hundred and twenty acres of land, within one mile of the town of Upper Marlborough, in Prince-George's county; they are pleasantly situated, consisting of two brick dwelling houses with a passage betwixt and a brick kitchen adjoining, all two stories high; they are very commodious, with great conveniences suitable for a genteel family; there are all other necessary out houses, such as a washhouse, negro quarter, corn house, barn, chaise house, and stables for twelve horses, the whole being built within the space of ten or twelve years; the land is well adapted for farming, having plenty of meadow and good grazing grounds with fine springs of water; there are about three hundred bearing apple trees, besides fruit trees of several sorts. The premises may be viewed at any time, and terms made known by applying to

JOHN READ MAGRUDER.

A PETITION will be presented to the general assembly of this state, at their next session, to pass an act empowering the reverend Mr. James Hunt and the reverend Stephen B. Balch, or either of them, to convey to William Deakins, jun. a certain lot of ground adjoining George-town, called the Church of Scotland Lot, formerly conveyed by colonel George Beall, to the reverend James Hunt and his successors, for the use of the presbyterian society of the church of Scotland.

Annapolis, April 14, 1784.

Just imported in the ship Liberty, captain William Outram, from London, and to be sold at wholesale and retail by the subscribers, at their store in the large brick building on the front of the dock, next door to Mr. John Davidson's store,

A VERY large and general assortment of European goods, suitable to the season, among which are a very great variety of the neatest and most fashionable coloured silks, which will be disposed of upon very reasonable terms.

THOMAS and BENJAMIN HARWOOD.

Belvoir, April 10, 1784.

To be SOLD CHEAP for ready cash,

A TRACT of land called Timberland, containing two hundred and five acres; it lies in Frederick county, on Kittocton creek, about twelve miles from Frederick-town; the soil is good, and it is well watered and loaded with fine timber, no settlement having been made upon it.

Any person desirous of becoming a purchaser, may know the terms and get further information on application to John Ross Key, Esq; on Pipe creek, or the subscriber near Annapolis.

U. SCOTT.

Annapolis, April 14, 1784.

WILLIAMS and NETH, Have just imported in the ship Liberty, captain Outram, from London, and opened for sale at their store on the dock,

A N assortment of goods suited to the present and approaching seasons, which they will dispose of on the most reasonable terms for cash, good bills of exchange on London, or tobacco of late inspection at approved warehouses.

They have also for sale as usual, Jamaica spirit, West-India and New-England rum by the hoghead, barrel, or gallon, Madeira wine, white and brown Spanish and muscovado sugars by the box, barrel, or smaller quantity, coffee, rice, &c. &c.

March 9, 1784.

BURNT out of gaol the 4th of this instant, a likely young negro fellow named WILL, the property of Mr. Phil. Briscoe, who was committed to my custody for want of security, the peace being sworn against him, the cloaths he had on are to me unknown, but he had round his neck when he made his escape a pair of pot-hooks with a long chain fastened to them, and a pair of hand cuffs on. I have been informed that he was once in Alexandria gaol as a runaway. Any person who apprehends the said negro and brings him to me shall receive twenty dollars reward, paid by

CHARLES MANKIN.

Calvert county, March 25, 1784.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the subscriber intends petitioning the general assembly, at their next session, for an act to empower her to sell part of the real estate of captain Richard Parran, to discharge his debts.

SARAH PARRAN, administratrix.